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REMARKS

In its decision of July 29, 2005, the Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences upheld the rejection of claims 188 and 189. All other claims had been previously allowed and were not at issue on appeal. Applicant has canceled claims 188 and 189. All claims in the case are now allowed.

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, allowance of claims 129-187 of the application is solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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